

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE
LOK SABHA**

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Delhi Zoo

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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Delhi Zoo is losing its sheen as many of its enclosures have been lying empty following the death of several animals in the recent past;
- (b) whether popular animals like giraffe, zebra, ostrich, king cobra, etc. have died in the recent past due to various reasons and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government has taken any corrective steps in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE)

(a) From the number of tickets sold, it is evident that a large number of visitors have been visiting the zoo. Only one enclosure (Beat No. 14) for Giraffe enclosure is lying empty.

(b) Details of deaths of animals in the Delhi Zoo and the cause of deaths are as follows:

S. No. Name of Animal Date of Death Reason

1 Giraffe 09.06.2015 Myocarditis & Kidney Failure

2 Zebra 01.05.2011 Septicemia, Toxemia & Cardiac Arrest

3 Ostrich 11.07.2016 Enteritis

4 King Cobra 22.12.2015 Pneumonitis

(c) National Zoological Park is making efforts to procure animals from other zoos of the country and other World Association of Zoos and Aquarium (WAZA) affiliated zoos. For acquisition of Ostrich, the Zoo has requested to Thiruvananthapuram Zoo, Kerala and Zoo has requested to WAZA member zoos of Europe for Giraffe, African Lion, Red Lechwe and Kangaroo.
